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Report

AD/ORE

27 October 1949

Chief, D/In

Lack of coverage of consultations between the six permanent members of the UN Atomic Energy Commission

According to the New York Times 27 October 1949, the six permanent members of the AEC have held ten meetings since 9 August 1949 to explore possibilities of reaching agreement on atomic energy control. Meetings will be resumed 3 November 1949. D/In has received absolutely no reportage of these conversations other than an informal oral statement of Assistant Secretary Hickerson on 29 August that nothing has been accomplished thus far. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AD/OSI has confirmed the fact that OSI has also received no information about these talks, although his organization would be interested only in the scientific aspects thereof which are probably nil. It is fair to conclude therefore that there has been no coverage of these talks for CIA. Since President Truman's announcement of 23 September 1949 concerning an atomic explosion in the USSR these talks have assumed a new and greater significance. An ORE ad hoc committee is presently attempting to estimate the political consequences of the USSR's possession of the bomb and current information of the Soviet attitude toward control as revealed in these talks even if negative should be before the committee.

It is therefore respectfully requested that vigorous efforts be made to insure that in the future these secret talks will be fully reported to CIA

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done through OEO to spring
this info for ORE"*

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